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Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

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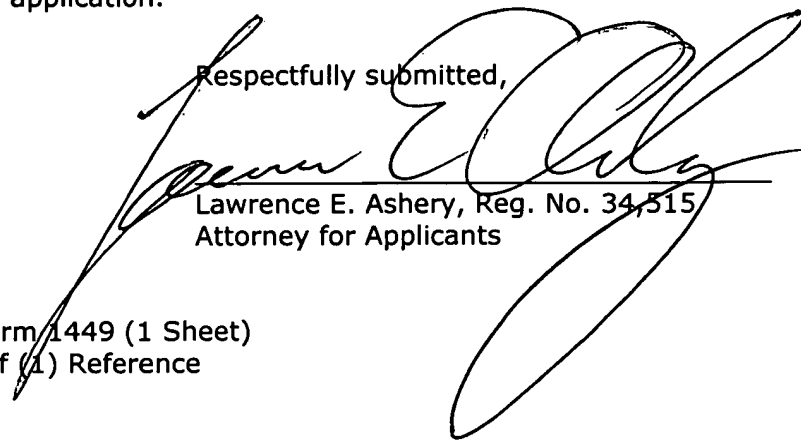
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Reference 1) includes an English language abstract and a "concise explanation" under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) is also set forth in the specification at page

1, lines 19-20.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Enclosures: PTO Form 1449 (1 Sheet)  
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